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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*In re Application of:*

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 16, 2003, Applicant offers the following claim clarifications and remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows. A marked-up version of the claims is attached in APPENDIX A: "CLAIMS MARKED-UP TO SHOW CHANGES MADE".

1. (Amended Six Times) A transition metal catalyst system for olefin polymerization comprising:

I) a Group-9, -10 or -11 metal connected to a bidentate ligand represented by the formula:
LMX, wherein:

(a) M is a Group 9, 10 or 11 metal;

(b) L is a bidentate ligand defined by the formula: